

**CHAPTER NO. 94**

**SENATE BILL NO. 1025**

**By Blackburn**

Substituted for: House Bill No. 817

By Sargent, Williams

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-221-607, to authorize water and wastewater treatment authorities to regulate non-conventional sewage disposal systems.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-221-607, is amended by adding a new subdivision thereto as follows:

( ) Adopt by majority vote of the board, regulations, including requirements for the posting of performance bonds and maintenance bonds, governing the operation and maintenance of non-traditional sewage disposal systems that serve more than one (1) household. Such regulations shall be consistent with or more stringent than the Water Quality Control Act, codified at Title 69, Chapter 3, Part 1. Such regulations adopted pursuant to the Water Quality Control Act shall be approved in writing by the Commissioner of Environment and Conservation. As used herein, "non-traditional sewage disposal systems that serve more than one (1) household" shall not include subsurface sewage disposal systems that are subject to the permitting requirements of Title 68, Chapter 221, Part 4, or to wastewater treatment facilities owned or operated by a governmental entity or public utility.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED: March 25, 1999**

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**APPROVED this 12th day of April 1999**

  
DON SUNDQUIST, GOVERNOR